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1. Early in January 1953 the administration of the Rottenau serum station 1/ of the Serum-Werk, VEB, Dessau, was transferred from that organization to the Biological Research Institute on Riems Island of which Prof. Hans Roehrer is the technical head. This administrative move materially reduced the serum and virus production capacity and facilities of the Serum-Werk, VEB, Dessau.

2. The Rottenau serum station now has a complement of thirty-six scientific specialists. Dr. Stoehr 2/ continues to be resident officer in charge. He is reported to be a personal friend of Dr. Roehrer.

3. The administrative shift has removed the jurisdiction of the Rottenau serum plant from the Ministry of Heavy Industry to the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry Industry (Land-und Forstwirtschaft).

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2/ Dr. Stoehr is a grandson of Prof. Dr. Phillip Stoehr who in 1886 published the first edition of the textbook on histology (Lehrbuch der Histologie). The 1949 edition of this text is still widely used by German medical students.

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